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Draft report

Addendum

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III. PROGRAMME QUESTIONS

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993

Section 19. United Nations Centre for Human Settlements

1. At its 32nd meeting, on 1 June, the Committee considered section 19 of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993.

Discussion

2. Some delegations felt that the Global Strategy to the year 2000 was insufficiently reflected in the programme of work. Some delegations were of the view that the introductory narratives to subprogrammes 4 and 5 were inadequate.

3. A number of delegations questioned the legislative basis for activities relating to women and sustainable development. It was further pointed out that the Centre for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs was the unit responsible for the programme on the Advancement of Women.

4. Some delegations welcomed the clarity with which the activities were presented, especially their relationship with consultancy funds.

5. Several delegations sought information on the training activities included in the programme, and were specifically concerned with the types of participants involved, the method of their selection, the follow-up of training results and the means of coordinating the activities. Some delegations emphasized the importance of group training and the benefits derived from it, and commended the Centre for Human Settlements for its efforts in this field.

Conclusions and recommendations

6. The Committee recommended that the low priority designation under paragraph 19.18.1 (a) should be deleted.

7. The Committee recommended approval by the General Assembly of the programme narrative of section 19 of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993.